

REMARKS**REVIEW**

The original application set forth claims 1-35, of which claims 1, 16, and 25 are independent claims. Presently, the application stands subjected to an election/restriction requirement in which the Examiner has indicated that Claims 1-15, drawn to an apparatus, and Claims 16-35, drawn to a method for producing fatty acid esters, are patentable distinct. It is noted that while election of the first named invention was made and such invention is indicated as directed to Claims 1-15, the cancellation of claim 15 herein was intended and is not in error.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully submitted that the present claims are in condition for allowance, and the issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited. Additionally, no fee is believed due with the present response. However, should it be determined that a fee is due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any required fee to Deposit Account No. 50-0686, in the name of Lanier Ford Shaver & Payne, P.C. The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at her convenience should only minor issues remain after consideration of this amendment in order to permit early resolution of the same.

Respectfully submitted,

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